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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
AD HOC REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE ON PROJECT AQUATONE (ARC)**

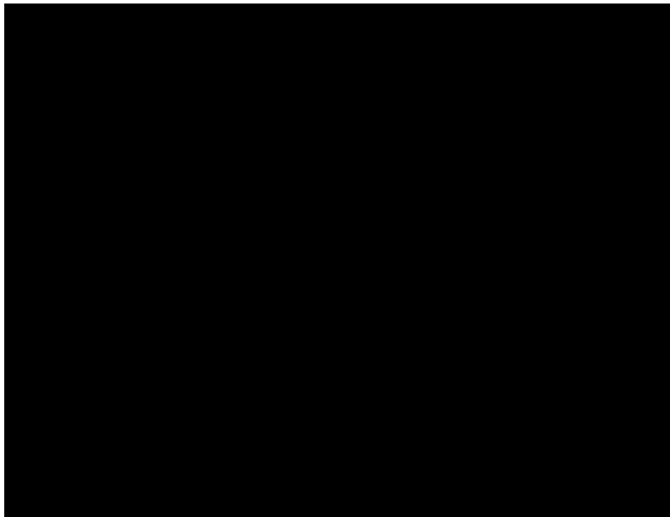

Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 538
Matomic Building, Central Intelligence Agency
at 10:00 a.m., 19 May 1957

James Q. Reber
Chairman

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Col. William A. Dodds, OACSI
Col. Erwin F. Forsythe, OACSI
Major J. P. Ruppert, OACSI
Comdr. Victor A. Moltoret, ONI
Comdr. Edward J. Cummings, Jr., ONI
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Mr. Paul J. Nelson, AFOIN



Highest Priority Targets

1. A special meeting of the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee was called today for the purpose of consulting with representatives of Project Operations to insure that Ad Hoc Requirements Committee had provided to Operations maximum information that would be useful in planning operations.

2. Discussion at the meeting concentrated on the following highest priority targets: KRASNYARSK and TOMSK, ANGARSK and IRKUTSK, KLYUCHI, and the KYZL ORDA area.

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3. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee reaffirmed its conviction that as between the KRASNYARSK-TOMSK mission, on the one hand, and a mission to the KYZL ORDA area, on the other hand, the first is more important. It was agreed that as between KRASNYARSK-TOMSK, on the one hand, and ANGARSK and IRKUTSK, on the other hand, the first is more important.

4. It being understood that the current possibilities are that KLYUCHI would be explored first among the various targets, the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee believed that findings from that coverage might have an effect upon the importance of the KYZL ORDA area as a top priority target. Delays incident to [REDACTED] may permit an examination of the KLYUCHI photography in time to effect a new judgment on this question.

5. In addition to the coordinates for targets which have been provided to Operations, major landmarks will be helpful to the pilot in identifying his objective. He cannot use detailed data. The Air Force and OSI representatives agreed to provide promptly to Operations such landmarks as pertain to KLYUCHI.

6. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee, in response to questions from [REDACTED] agreed that it did not have sufficient detailed information to be able to advise Operations as to the precise time of day when given coverage would be most beneficial. In the main, the controlling factor is visibility.

C Configuration Targets

7. The Chairman reviewed the views of the Committee with regard to the use of the C configuration, to wit, that its use was not recommended in the absence of prior coverage by B or A-2. Thus, it is not recommended that it be used in planning for current missions. In case of possibility of repeat missions over targets heretofore covered, the Committee would want to examine each case before recommending use.

8. Taking into account the possibility of permission for wide latitude in operations, [REDACTED] suggested that it would be helpful in meeting his training needs in using the C configuration if he could get guidance from the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee with regard to United States installations similar to those which may eventually be the subject of penetration missions. Accordingly, the Chairman stated that he would call a meeting of the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee members to meet with a representative of Operations next week to explore what could be usefully accomplished.

9. (Note: This meeting is called for Tuesday, 14 May, at 10:00 a.m., at 1717 H Street. Each agency should notify the Chairman's office on Monday of the name of his agency's representative.)

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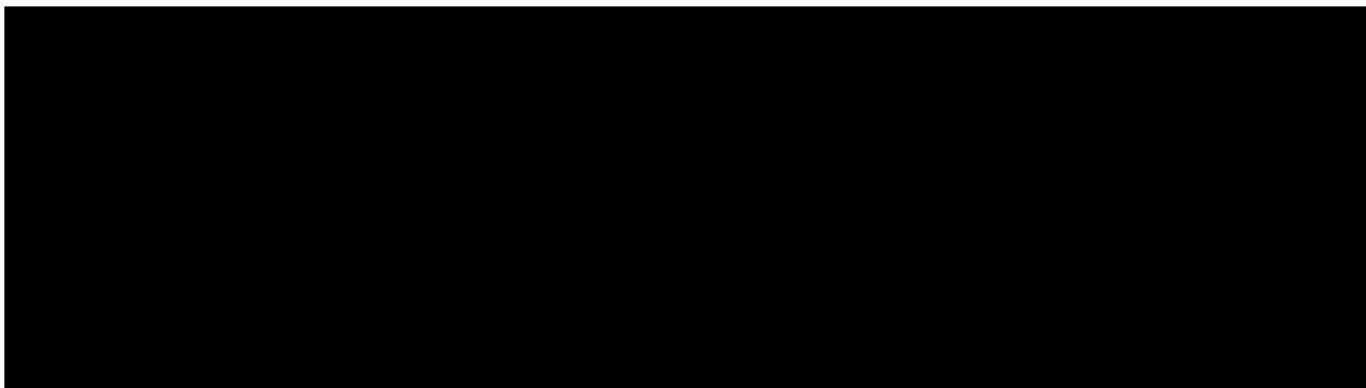
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A-1 Charting in Local Areas

11. [REDACTED] queried whether there were requirements for A-1 charting photography which could be accomplished in connection with training and testing missions in the undenied areas proximate to the base. (Note: this subject will be placed on the agenda at the next Ad Hoc Requirements Committee meeting.)

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JAMES Q. REBER
Chairman

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